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Sir:

In response to the Decision on Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.497(a)(b) regarding the above-referenced case, please find enclosed herewith complete and separate copies of the Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by: Atul Kumar Srivastava, James William Sulhoff, Yan Sun; Charles L. Wolf; and Jianhui Zhou.

With the submission of the above-referenced Declarations and Power of Attorneys, all requirements are now satisfied.

The Office is encouraged to contact the undersigned regarding this matter, if necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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